Application No. 10/743,170 Attorney Docket No.: 1/1445

Amendment dated January 6, 2009

Reply to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of December 23, 2008

REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

In the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed December 23, 2008 it was stated the amendment document filed on September 25, 2008 was non-compliant because the cancelled

matter cannot be readily identified with use of strike-throughs in the case of claims.

By the foregoing amendment the claims include cancelled matter within double brackets where strike-throughs can not be easily perceived. The applicants submit the defect in the amendment document filed September 25, 2008 has been corrected, and the application is now in

condition for allowance. Entry of the amendment is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, the applicants submit that the instant claims are in condition for allowance. Early and favorable action is earnestly solicited. In the event there are any fees due and owing in connection with this matter, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 11-

0223.

Respectfully submitted,

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